

OFF-ROAD VEHICLE ADVISORY COUNCIL AGENDA & RECORD

June 6, 2018

Rib Mountain Municipal Center, Rib Mountain, WI

Agenda Item	Key Points	Outcomes, Next Steps, Assignments
<p>1) Call to Order</p>	<p>Members Present: Rob McConnell-Chair, Bryan Much-Vice Chair, Dave Traczyk, Jim Wisneski, Adam Harden Absent: Ernie Pulvermacher, Bobby Donahue</p> <p>Others Present: Cathy Burrow, Faith Murray, Ann Loechler, Ed Slaminski, Katie Simonsen–DNR Staff; members of the public</p>	<p>Meeting was called to order at 10:03 AM Introductions</p>
<p>2) Acceptance of Previous Meeting</p>	<p>No further discussion.</p>	<p>Motion by Bryan, second by Adam to approve minutes as written. Motion Passed.</p>
<p>3) Agenda Repair</p>	<p>None.</p>	
<p>4) Chair Report</p>	<p>The growth of UTVs is bringing a lot of new and inexperienced users to the sport, many of them do not have training, trail etiquette, familiarity with safety issues and the regulations.</p>	
<p>5) DNR representatives' matters</p>	<p>DNR LE/Safety liaison (on behalf of Gary Eddy) DOT is creating new and updating some signs, Gary hopes to have a draft out in July.</p> <p>Grants: <i>Legal opinion</i> from DNR motorized attorney – two main points: 1. trails that meet the definition in s. NR 64.14(2)(4)(a), Wis. Admin. Code, (grandfathered Troutes), are eligible to be grandfathered (providing they can prove eligibility) and receive 100% of maintenance dollars summer and winter ATV, it is unclear at this point if they will qualify for UTV maintenance, further research is needed. 2. ATV/UTV trails cannot allow simultaneous use with motor vehicles except emergency and maintenance vehicles.</p> <p>The grandfathered troutes do not need to be recommended for approval by the Off-Road Vehicle Council.</p>	<p>DNR to clearly lay out these items to county coordinators.</p>
<p>GIS: Need to draft a plan to move forward with a plan for requesting GIS maps from the county and to define the attributes counties will need to include such as: Hybrid/troutes identified, what troutes are Grandfathered, facilities (privy, parking, etc.).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Timeline/who would work on it • In Aug, motion for an ad hoc team 		

	<p>Funding priority handout- would like to align with NR 64</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Under “acquisition” – no order of sub items – so get input from council on the proper order (perhaps for August) • Intense use – (rehab vs new develop – do intense use applications belong under rehab?) 	<p>Chair proposes to get items on funding priority and GIS report together before the August meeting.</p> <p>Note: If a draft is created prior to the meeting it will need to be available for sharing/review at least 1 week before the Council meeting.</p>
	<p>Handouts explained:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Photo of a paved crossing required by DOT on state or federal Hwy and the permit –only required on apron (preferred asphalt not concrete); but contractors are hard to find for small jobs. • Bridge quote comparisons on grant applications • Maintenance minor mileage changes due to accurate GIS maps (nothing above 5 miles). • Budget page for funding spreadsheet showing a “Total Requested” column without any cost-shares to give a more accurate portrayal of requested funds. 	
<p>7a) Amendments</p>	<p>Langlade Co. request to amend ATV-3531 Augustyn Springs Trailhead improvement grant. The original amount was \$28,837.65, request is for \$6,000 due to bids coming in higher than original quotes.</p> <p>Oconto Co. request to amend ATV-3709 Boardwalk replacement grant. The original amount was \$35,000, request is for up to \$14,000 more due to increased wood prices. County will provide detail when after bid deadline.</p>	<p>Motion by Bryan, second by Jim to recommend an amendment to grant ATV-3531 in the amount of \$6,000.</p> <p><u>Motion Passed.</u></p> <p>Motion by Bryan, second by Adam to recommend funding an amendment to grant ATV-3709 in an amount up to \$14,000.</p> <p><u>Motion Passed.</u></p>
<p>6) Review the applications</p>	<p>Chair: Reminder that we are not reviewing on merit – just identifying questions for the Regional Grant Project Managers to bring back to the counties for clarification</p>	<p>Questions recorded on Funding Spreadsheet. This will be posted on the Council web page with the minutes.</p>
<p>7b) Proposed Rate Changes</p>	<p>Proposed rates:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discussion regarding a question sent to Council Chair because there is no council-approved rate for a drag smaller than 7’6” • Member from the snowmobile infrastructure committee reviewed thinking behind approved/not approved. No questions from council. 	<p>Explanation was given that council-approved rates are based on DOT Highway Maintenance rates and those may be used in the absence of a council-approved rate. However, there is a Council-approved rate for a smaller drag:</p> <p>#9205 - Rear blade/box scraper/pull behind grader/packing pan - \$6.00</p>
<p>8) Council Member Items</p>	<p>None</p>	
<p>9) Comments from the Public</p>	<p>Question regarding poor performance by a contractor for a previous bridge grant project and is there anything the Council could do about it. That would be a County issue because the county hired the contractor.</p>	

	<p>Question regarding the ability or initiative to promote trail development rather than the current trend to increase routes, wondering if there was anything that could be done.</p> <p>Council responded:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Local projects are local initiative – need to start at the local level - New trail miles are usually funded when they come in (that fits into the system) - Clubs need to work with county forestry and park – clubs can write the grant, need to coordinate - Promoting trail riding in the southern part of the state may be best aimed at trying to develop Intense Use Areas/Motorized Parks. <p>Question regarding the corduroy being put down while installing the power lines along the interstate and could those be used as ATV trails. Response was that corduroy is only temporary and is removed after the work is complete.</p> <p>The Council received a thank you for all the things they do.</p>	
10) Housekeeping & other matters	Next meeting: August 28, Tuesday in the Wausau area. Location TBD.	
11) Adjournment		Motion by Bryan, second by Jim to adjourn. Motion Passed.